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SUBJ: SALE OF MK-44 TORPEDO TO PAKISTAN

A. ISLAMABAD CONF 8415/031148Z SEP 74

B. SECSTATE CONF 220138/050122Z OCT 74 (NOTAL)

1. (C) AS A RESULT OF THE DECISION TO LIFT THE ARMS EMBARGO ON
24 FEB 75, THE GOP HAS AGAIN REQUESTED THAT THEY BE PERMITTED TO
PROCURE THE MK-44 TORPEDO FROM THE UK. THE REQUEST INCLUDES A
REQUIREMENT FOR 72 MK-44 TORPEDOS TO BE USED ON THE SEA KING
MK-45 HELICOPTERS (UK), ALOUETTE MK3 HELICOPTER (FRENCH), AND
THE ATLANTIC BRUEGUET LRMP AIRCRAFT (FRENCH).

2. (C) IN ADDITION TO THE ABM
E ORDNANCE, THE GOP HAS ALSO
REQUESTED THE APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING TRAINING PROGRAMS IN
THE UK AND FRANCE:

TYPE OF A/C	PERSONNEL	LOCATION
A. SEA KING MK 45 HELICOPTERS	18 PILOTS	UK
	12 OBSERVERS	

B. ALOUETTE MK 3	9 PILOTS	FRANCE
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SA319B HELICOPTERS

C. ATLANTIC BREGUET LRMP A/C 6 CREWS FRANCE

3. (C) THIS WILL BE THE FIRST CASE PROCESSED BY THE USG SINCE THE ARMS EMBARGO WAS LIFTED ON 24 FEB 75. FORTUNATELY THEY HAVE GIVEN THIS AMOUNT OF PRIORITY TO AN OLD CASE WHICH HAS BEEN CONSIDERED IN WASHINGTON BEFORE, AND WHICH HAS BEEN THE SUBJECT OF DEEP FEELING ON THE PART OF THE NAVY HERE FOR SOME TIME. IN RESUBMITTING THIS CASE THE PAK NAVY HAS CALLED ATTENTION TO THEIR PAST EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE MK 44 TORPEDO AND THEY STATE IT WILL REMAIN THEIR FIRST PRIORITY ITEM. IN VIEW OF THE ABOVE IT IS HOPED THAT THIS CASE CAN RECEIVE PRIORITY ATTENTION AND BE APPROVED FORTHWITH. THE BRITISH EMBASSY HERE HAS ALSO BEEN IN TOUCH WITH US ON THIS MATTER IN THE PAST TEN DAYS, HOPING FOR OUR APPROVAL. IT MIGHT BE A NICE GESTURE, THEREFORE, TO SEE THAT THE EMBASSIES OF UK AND FRANCE ARE INFORMED OF YOUR DECISION.

4. (U) THE AMBASSADOR, AND APPROPRIATE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTRY TEAM CONCURS IN THE ABOVE REQUEST.

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